

REMARKS

Claims 22-41 remain in this application.

5 Applicants regret the inadvertent error by which the status of previously canceled claims was not stated expressly in the "Amendments to the Claims" section of the amendment filed Feb. 16, 2004. That omission is hereby corrected.

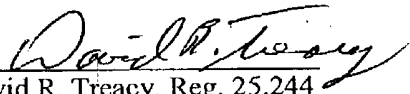
Complete, responsive remarks and arguments regarding the rejections are contained in the document filed Feb. 16, 2004.

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Applicants believe this now places the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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